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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of June 26, 2008, to which a three-month shortened statutory period for response has been set to expire on September 26, 2008, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections set forth in the Official Action, in view of the herein-contained remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

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